

Merry Christmas

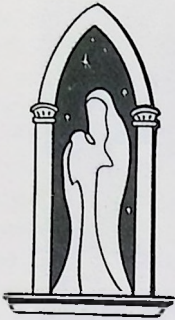
# NEWS MEDCO VIEWS

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## Yuletide Greetings



*What ingredient is in the air, or in our hearts, or in our minds during the magic time of Christmas? Traditional greetings may make adaptations and changes — but the feeling of spiritual goodwill and brotherhood endures throughout the years.*

*This ingredient must be supplied by the Prince of Peace that we may realize the many blessings He has bestowed upon us and to bring to our minds the joys and happiness provided in His name.*

*During the coming Holiday Season, indeed during the coming year, it is our sincere wish that each of you and yours may experience the spirit of a Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.*



### BLOODMOBILE

Emergencies can arise at the most inconvenient times for all of us and in many cases we must turn to our friends and fellow employees for assistance. This is made much easier for everyone if we maintain a good supply of blood in the Red Cross Blood Bank. MEDCO employees donating blood can request that it be credited to the MEDCO EMPLOYEES GROUP. This will assure us that Medco workers or their families are not faced with soliciting blood at the last moment in an emergency.

Your help in maintaining this emergency blood bank will be most appreciated by your fellow employee or his family if and when the need arises . . . or it could be YOU needing the blood.

Blood donations will be taken at the Red Cross Center on Hawthorne Street near the Shopping Center on Monday, December 14th from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on Tuesday, December 15th from 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

### HOLIDAY SHUTDOWN

The week of December 28th is tentatively scheduled as the week all plant and woods operations will be down for the vacation schedule. There is plenty of time left for safety to be included with any of your holiday trip plans . . . don't forget to include a "double-shot" of 100 proof SAFETY!



### HELP WANTED

The MEDCO KEGLERETTES have issued a call for women bowlers from the families of the MEDCO employees to fill out their bowling league.

Any wives, daughters, mothers of grandmothers may get more information by calling Mable Pasckvale at 773-4038, after 5 p.m.

The bowling date is on Wednesdays at 9 p.m.



### NEW ARRIVALS

Getting the information for this column can be a task at times with lack of telephones.

We do know that Don and Carol Stallsworth have a new baby and we also know they live somewhere near Gold Hill and do not have a phone. We called a Stallsworth listed in the Rogue River directory but they could offer no additional information. Let us know what you named the baby, Don.

Sam and Carolyn Oetinger have a new son, Samuel Wesley, born November 17th. He weighed 7 lbs. 2 ozs. on arrival and has a brother named "Rusty" who is 2 years old.

James and Doris Johnson just had their fifth child when little Will Clifford arrived. He weighed in at 7 lbs. 3 oz. on November 30th. Little Will has two brothers and two sisters.

Jerry and Lynda Hemingway have a new member in their family. Her name is Michelle and she arrived on November 24th weighing a husky 6 lbs. 14 oz.

### CHRISTMAS HAMS & TURKEYS

All employees will receive ham or turkey from the company on December 22nd. this year. Because the turkeys are frozen it is believed better to hand

them out an extra day ahead so your wife will have time to let it thaw for preparation of the stuffing.



Passerby: "I see you are putting up a new building."

Workman: "Yes, sir. That's the only kind we ever put up."



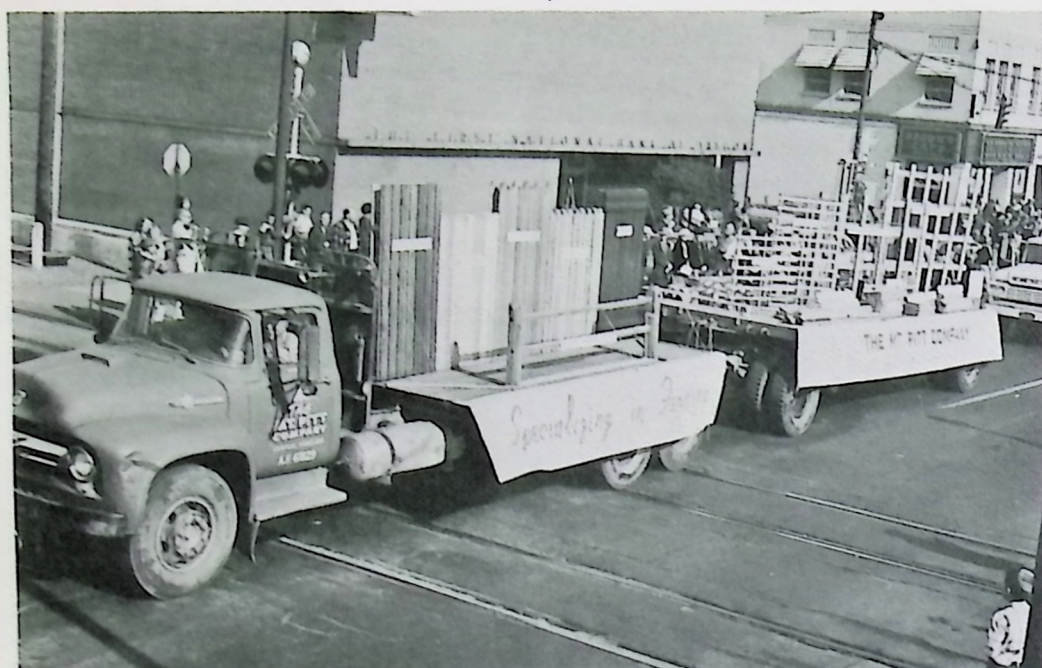
## MEDCO BOWLING LEAGUE NEWS

	Won	Lost	Pct.		
1. Stump Jumpers	31	13	.705	Bruce Pingle	589
2. Scratch Pads	27	17	.614	Eldon Vinson	560
3. Mavericks	27	17	.614	Skeets Gattis	586
4. Rejects	26	18	.591	Norm Peterson	527
5. Blackjacks	26	18	.591	Raymond Roberts	504
6. Wreckers	25	19	.568	Larry Ryerson	576
7. Odds & Ends	22	22	.500	Bill Harris	583
8. Green Chain	21	23	.477	Bob Beatty	547
9. Five Stoogies	20	24	.455	Bob Carpenter	525
10. Laps & Gaps	19	25	.432	Jack Vance	551
11. White Specks	10	34	.227	Mike Oreskovic	524
12. Chinese Bandits	10	34	.227	Buck Morgan	502

High Game — Bruce Pingle 233

High Series — Bruce Pingle 589

High Series with Handicap — Skeets Gattis 631



The Mt. Pitt Company who leases the lathe portion of our sawmill had an outstanding display of fence materials. This shows the versatility and many uses for wood from our area.



Delah Timber Products Co., who buys our plywood peeler cores, shows the cores on the front part of the truck and the studs which are

made from the cores on the trailer . . . here again an example of better utilization.

## MARKET REPORT

In checking with our Sales Department, Ed Nave and Dick Atterbury report sales are currently on the slow side.

Snow and cold weather are the primary reasons but the general year-end taxes on inventories will restrain buying activity.

If the weather in the consuming areas will improve somewhat we should experience some buying for inventory shortly after the first of the coming year.



## WHY WE DON'T

Have you wondered why we don't print notices about deaths of persons we all know? It is because we are a monthly publication and since many of the loved ones may be regaining their composure after the loss, we don't believe our re-opening that closed chapter is right. It isn't that we are not saddened by the loss of friends and fellow employees or retired employees, we believe we owe this consideration to those who are left to carry on without them.

The Sunday School class was composed of four-year-olds. The teacher asked, "Do any of you remember who St. Matthew was?"

No answer.

"Well, does anyone remember who St. Mark was?"

Still no answer.

"Surely someone must know who Peter was."

The little faces were full of interest, but the room remained quiet. Finally a small voice from the rear broke the silence: "I fink he was a wabbit."



## NEWS BRIEFS

This story really warrants a two column headline but we will give you the scoop herewith . . . we have it on good authority that "Irish" Bob Higgins has received the cherished "MAGGIE" award for his tremendous performance in a recent television hit entitled, "A BOXCAR NAMED DESIRE". This hit show and the latent talents of our own Bob Higgins were born at a local television studio when Hank Henry, the news hawk chose Bob to review the boxcar shortage . . . and then Dusty Hannen came up with the "MAGGIE" award. We will leave it to your imagination as to what the award is and its appearance.

The Medford Police extracted a parking meter fine from Bill Stevenson recently after considerable discussion between them. Bill has discovered that the police are right . . . even though they are wrong. Seems he parked on a meter which showed considerable time and was broken . . . along came the cop and gave him a ticket and when he explained the case they informed him he still had to pay the ticket or come to court . . . leaves you some choice doesn't it? You can lose a half a day of work or pay for an unjust conviction which is actually what paying a parking ticket is.

Some people just can't seem to keep their little escapades a secret . . . like Bill Buckingham. Seems that Bill, his wife, Clyde LaFever and Mrs. LaFever were enroute to central California last summer and both Bill and Clyde kept complaining of the killing heat in the front seat of the car. Finally in desperation they told the ladies they would have to ride in the front and since it was Bill's car Mrs. Buckingham was ready to start driving when . . . she discovered Bill had been driving along with the car heater on full blast!

Ken Milligan has had a spell of trouble with his heart but we hear he is improving nicely after the initial attack. Take it easy Ken and don't worry about the plant . . . it won't be going anywhere.

Hank Young is back on the job as lineup man on the edger in the sawmill after a time off the job because of illness.

Don Turnbough was off work for a spell but we understand he got little

sympathy at home . . . he had the measles and his wife said he looked so funny with spots she couldn't help laughing.

Walt Ricks took a week off to make a trip during the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend but had to cancel the trip . . . his wife had an accident during deer season in which her big toe got in front of a bullet and since it wasn't doing as well as the doctor thought it should, he ordered her to bed . . . just before the planned trip.

Bill Earls and his wife spent the Thanksgiving Holiday with their daughter, Mrs. Bob Wallace in Medford. Their Christmas plans include a trip to Corvallis to visit their other daughter, Mrs. Don Barklow.

Sherley Hatcher decided to make sure the gasoline thieves didn't cut the gas lines on a certain piece of equipment while helping themselves to company fuel. So he left a siphoning hose hanging where it couldn't be missed with a sign, "FOR USE IN GETTING GAS" . . . the idea was fine but the thieves took the siphon hose too!

Stan Delgado is back on the job with his usual good-natured greeting and ready quip after he spent a few days in the hospital for surgery . . . they can't stop Stan.

Don Hein is still off work because of the surgery on his knee. Although we haven't heard from him we assume he is recovering and will rejoin us in the near future.

George Reigel and Bob Hale have both been off work for some time but are recovering at home. They would probably enjoy hearing from some of you or possibly you could stop in and visit them at home.

Elmer Johnson had some time off, a part of which he spent trying to catch some fish. He is rather quiet about the results but after questioning he admitted to catching only two . . . better luck next time Elmer.

Be sure you ask Dick Atterbury about those beautiful ties some unknown benefactor has given him. For those of you who will not have the opportunity to see them . . . they are all so wide they would cover the chest of a big man and the colors . . . no words could describe them—WOW!



## "FULL-SERVICE CREDIT UNION?"

Obviously it means providing all of the services that its members want and expect from their own financial organization, within reasonable limits, and of course within the framework of the law under which the credit union operates. First we need to ask ourselves, "What is the purpose of a credit union?" It is difficult to improve on the old definition that a credit union is: 1) An easy and convenient system for accumulating savings; 2) A source of credit at normal interest rates; and 3) A school wherein the members are educated in the management and control of their own money. The job of credit union management is to constantly explore new ideas and find new ways to implement this definition.

Member education is an important area. We cannot bring the potential member, or even the existing member, to the credit union until we have first told him its purpose and that it is available to him.

Family financial counseling is extremely important in this age of loose credit practices. It is necessary that we gear ourselves to consult our members, analyze their financial problems, and be prepared to give them advice.

It should go without saying that a full-service credit union provides its membership with both life savings and loan protection insurance coverages. Life savings insurance provides the member with an added incentive to save and borrow in preference to withdrawing savings, and it provides some additional security for the member's family. Likewise, loan protection insurance provides the borrowing member with added security and provides the credit union with an additional spur to go all the way in helping the member with his financial problems. I cannot contemplate even a limited-service credit union denying its membership, and the credit union, from the protection that group insurance coverage affords.

If any of the members have money that is not being used, invest it in the credit union. This way we can grant more loans.



Use Your Head:  
(It's the little things that count)



## WOODS CLOSED DOWN

If you notice Al Smith going around mumbling to himself and with a funny kind of blank look on his face . . . it is because the weather has him at loss for words. The "Spring Breakup" came this year in late November. The freeze and the snow had arrived much on schedule and the woods crews were dealing with the situation as planned . . . when along came days of warm spring rain (in the winter) leaving the roads and the woods with the softest mud you have ever seen. This called logging to a halt and gave Al a "king-sized" headache.

Slash burning this year was completed in a week . . . in fact the last few days they were burning in about two inches of snow . . . and that is not easy.

## KITCHEN KORNER

Our recipe of the month comes from Mrs. W. H. Gates and the editor for one certainly intends to give it a try as soon as possible. The name caused some concern at first until we discovered it is really pancakes. We need more cooperation from you ladies on this section of the paper . . . more recipes or shortcuts on chores about the home are welcome. Send them to MEDCO NEWS & VIEWS, P. O. Box 694, Medford.

If we receive more recipes, we can print more than one in an issue.

### PANDEKAGER (Pancakes)

½ cup plus 2 tbs. all purpose flour  
1 tbs. sugar

½ teaspoon salt

1-1/3 cups milk

2 eggs beaten slightly

Sift and measure flour, salt and sugar in bowl. Mix together the milk and eggs then add to the dry ingredients and beat smooth. Use bacon drippings to grease the fry pan. Pour just enough batter to cover the bottom of the pan. Tilt the pan to distribute a thin cover of batter over the pan. Fry until set then until batter is a light brown. Serve with butter, sugar, preserves, with a cover of cinnamon and sugar or with bacon . . . it's terrific!

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## THE "SUPER SNOOPER"

We won't dwell on the various names some of the guys dreamed up to call the editor regarding this column . . . but the questions and the answers

continue. How about contributing some questions which would provoke interesting answers . . . write to Box 694, Medford, Oregon.

### QUESTION . . .

**Which Holiday do you prefer?**

#### Virgil Conley - Fire Warden

The 4th of July because you can depend on nice weather and you can always go fishing or enjoy other outdoor activities.



#### Tom Stanton - Timekeeper

Labor Day because it is the last long weekend of the summer and I like fishing too well to choose any other holiday.



#### Duane Smeltzer - Logging Engineer

Labor Day is my favorite as it is always a long weekend, the excessive summer heat is usually over and you can still enjoy outdoor activities.



#### John Wood - Surveyor

Labor Day is my favorite 'cause all the girls are out for the last Holiday before winter plus the weather is always nice and you can really have a ball.



#### Bill Earls - Shop Supt.

I like Christmas because my three granddaughters have so much fun and I enjoy them so much. There is just something about children and Christmas that gets to you.

